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In re Application of

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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

SIR:

Responsive to the office action of January 3, 2003, please amende the aboveidentified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 9, with the following rewritten

paragraph:

In a further development of the invention, the effective direction of the motor torque can be reversed for the purpose of braking, i.e. the motors are simply changed over to reverse as a result of braking. This does not mean a reversal of the direction of rotation but merely the action of the motor torque as a braking torque counter to the direction of rotation of

